

Eau Claire Redevelopment Authority Minutes
Meeting of July 21, 2010

City Hall, Council Chambers

7:30 a.m.

Members Present: Messrs. Barr, Green, Huggins and Ms. Wildenberg

Staff Present: Messrs. Schatz, Nick, Reiter and Ms. Thompson, Casteen

1. Call to order.

At 7:30 am Mr. Barr called the meeting to order.

2. Minutes.

A motion was made by Ms. Wildenberg and seconded by Mr. Huggins to approve the minutes of the June 16th meeting with the correction that Mr. Barr called the meeting to order, not Mr. Halloin. The motion carried.

3. Financial Statements.

Ms. Casteen presented the Financial Statements for June, 2010. Operating expenses for the month of June were \$56.00 for storm water, postage, and office supplies. There was one capital expense of \$254.49 for an expenditure related to the West Bank Redevelopment District.

Ms. Wildenberg made a motion to approve the financial statements and Mr. Huggins seconded; the motion carried.

4. Consideration of a request from Charles and Dale Gable to recommend rezoning of their property at 28D Maple to CBD.

Mr. Gable addressed the board requesting a recommendation from the RDA in regards to changing the zoning of his property from industrial to central business district. They are requesting the change to help facilitate a potential sale of the property. The property is currently zoned as industrial, which is not in line with the new plan for that area. Mr. Nick stated that Central Business District (CBD) is part of the West Bank Redevelopment plan, but further information, including a visual plan for potential changes, would need to be submitted to the City prior to any decision being made.

5. Request from Joe Knickerbocker concerning the RDA purchasing a warehouse property at 1714 Oxford Avenue in the West Bank Redevelopment District.

Mr. Schatz received a call from Mr. Knickerbocker in regards to the potential sale of his property to the RDA. There was fire damage 3 months ago and right now they are in a limbo stage as to what to do with the property. He also informed the board that the adjoining lot which is owned by his parents would be available for sale.

Mr. Nick asked if he had a sale price at this time, to which he responded that they would have an outside appraisal done and then go from there. Mr. Schatz reminded the board that this is a closed session topic issue to discuss later.

6. **Discussion on parking and restroom issues in the North Barstow Redevelopment District.**

Mr. Schatz shared that it has been requested by a board member, as well as people from the public, that this issue, lack of parking, and public restrooms, be discussed by the RDA. Ms. Aspenson, a downtown business owner, addressed the board with her concerns about the lack of public parking, as well as the lack of public restrooms in the Phoenix Park area. She strongly stated her frustration and concerns of a bigger issue being created with the new construction in the area. She told the RDA that the North Barstow BID again offered to help the City pay for a restroom project.

7. **Closed Session.**

A motion was made by Ms. Wildenberg to move into closed session and seconded by Mr. Huggins; motion carried.

8. **Open session.**

Meeting reconvened in open session.

9. **Announcements.**

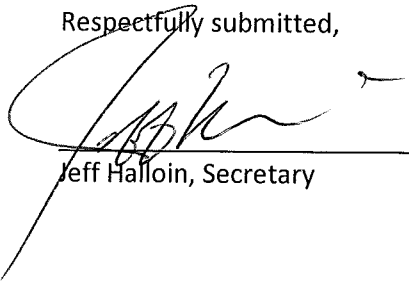
- Mr. Barr directed staff to obtain more information in regards to Mr. Knickerbocker's property.
- Mr. Schatz updated the board as the progress of the 2 S. Barstow proposals. He shared that he received a formal letter from Mr. Mogensen yesterday.
- The filming project requested by the UWEC students will take place this Friday; the City is in receipt of the hold harmless agreement that was required.
- Ms. Wildenberg is resigning as representative for the RDA on DECI Board of Directors. Reminder that someone on the Board will have to fill that position.
- Next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 18th.

10. **Adjournment.**

Mr. Green made a motion to adjourn the meeting and the motion was seconded by Ms. Wildenberg.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 AM

Respectfully submitted,



Jeff Halloin, Secretary